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The present invention concerns detection of target molecules using methods of enzymatically catalysed amplification of target associated detectable structures.